## Brigadier M G Lacey (Late RA)

Brigadier Lacey was commissioned into the Royal Regiment of Artillery in December 1979. He completed a number of appointments and deployed on Operations to both Northern Ireland and the first Gulf War. He attended Division II of the Army Command and Staff Course in 1993 and The Staff College at Camberley in 1994 prior to taking up his black bag appointment as the Military Assistant to the Director General Development and Doctrine. In December 1996 Brigadier Lacey took command of a Battery in 32 Regiment Royal Artillery and converted them to operate the Phoenix Unmanned Air Vehicle Capability, deploying the system to Kosovo in support of Op AGRICOLA in 1999.

Following a short tour as the Chief of Staff of the 1<sup>st</sup> Artillery Brigade, Brigadier Lacey was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 2000 and appointed as the Programme Manager of the TUAV IPT charged with the delivery of the WATCHKEEPER UAV Capability. In 2002 Brigadier Lacey took command of 32 Regiment Royal Artillery, re-rolling them to operate all of the Army's UAV capability and deployed on Op TELIC 1. In 2004 Brigadier Lacey was promoted to Colonel and was appointed as the IPT Leader of the Field Artillery Systems Support IPT. Following the merger of the DPA and DLO in 2007, Brigadier Lacey was temporarily deployed to the Ministry of Defence to conduct a Capability Investigation into Complex Weapons. He assumed his current appointment as the Deputy Director Defence Acquisition Change in August 2007.

A keen golfer, he also enjoys skiing, deer management, fly fishing and trying to maintain his 17<sup>th</sup> Century House.